

My Name is Aruna Rana and I'm the second generation Nepalese in HK. I have daughter who is in F2 and twin boys in kindergarten. So my kids are the third generation already but, me as a parent and children themselves are facing lots of difficulties in hk schooling.

We the parents and the children are moving forward and embracing all the difficulties and trying our best to integrate in the society. But is School, teachers are ready to embrace us???? In my personal experience and so did happened to so many other parents that "they (teachers) are not". If they were then I wouldn't have been called not once but twice within 2 weeks of the school to meet the teacher and asked to change the school for my daughter elsewhere.

I think there should be mandatory teacher and professional training provided to not only teachers, but to principal too. So that they are aware of cultural sensitivity and they know how to handle a lone ethnic student they have in a school. And training shouldn't be taken lightly it should be measurable and result oriented too.

Moving forward with schooling, as per new policy mention by Ms. Carrie Lam, that Chinese history should be taught compulsory in school. We are more than happy and welcome the policy where our children will explore and learn more about China and its History, and they should too because we live in HK and this is our home. But ... is it feasible for our kids? Who are struggling to get enrolled in mainstream school? So to keep up with Chinese language and to be in line, (Chinese learning should be stepped up for our children) so that we can follow the HK Govt Policy and be a proud citizen with equal knowledge provided by the government.